

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A retaining device for a tube plug made of an elastomeric material and having a generally hollow body elongated along an axis, with a closed front end and an open rear end leading to a central axially extending blind hole having a predetermined diameter is provided which is a generally cylindrical non-expandable insert member having a diameter slightly greater than the blind hole diameter and an enlarged head portion, wherein, upon insertion of the insert member into the central blind hole of the tube plug, the tube plug body will be diametrically enlarged.